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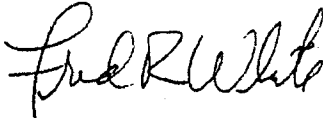
Dear Attorney General Ashcroft:

I am writing to express my disapproval of further litigation being pursued against Microsoft on any level, federal or otherwise.

After years of legal disputes between Microsoft and the government, a settlement was reached. The settlement seems to be very realistic and was arrived at after intensive negotiations. Microsoft will now share information with its competitors, which will allow them to place their own programs on the Windows system. Additionally, Microsoft will license Windows out to the largest computer companies in the U.S. on identical terms, so that there is no possibility of favoritism.

This issue should now be over and Microsoft and the government should now be able to move on and concentrate on the future of our nation, both economically and technologically. I support the settlement, and look forward to the end of this lawsuit.

Sincerely,



Fred White